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MEMORANDUM FOR:

Chairman, NSCIC

SUBJECT:

NSCIC and NSCIC Working Group

1. I believe it essential to improve the user impact on the production of intelligence, and I consider the NSCIC channel most valuable in this respect. However, the intelligence community has not received as much guidance from NSCIC as it should. In my view there are two reasons for this: first, the heavy demands on your time have made it difficult to assemble the NSCIC; second, the Working Group has been too dominated by intelligence producers.

2. I propose four actions for your consideration:

- a. Name a Deputy Chairman of NSCIC. I understand that you and Jim Schlesinger discussed assigning the DCI that function, and I would be willing to accept the responsibility. However, I think it would be better to name either Mr. Rush or Mr. Clements in order to maintain the NSCIC as an intelligence users' forum.
- b. For the same reason, appoint Andy Marshall as Chairman of the Working Group (vice General Graham of my staff) and restrict Working Group membership to user representatives of the NSCIC principals. My representative would be General Graham, who would chair an intelligence subgroup to respond to the user members.
- c. Add a representative of the Government's economic activities to the NSCIC, and to the Working Group as well, in recognition of the importance of economic intelligence matters.



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d. Have each principal on the NSCIC nominate a Deputy so that NSCIC meetings could be held despite the unavailability of the principals.

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